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15. En caso de existir, una antena externa deberá ser localizada lejos de las líneas de energía.
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  - B: Objetos han caído o líquido ha sido derramado dentro del aparato; o
  - C: El aparato ha sido expuesto a la lluvia; o
  - D: El aparato parece no operar normalmente o muestra un cambio en su desempeño; o
  - E: El aparato ha sido tirado o su cubierta ha sido dañada.

## Safety Instructions

To ensure reliable and safe long-term operation of your DKM Modular Extender, please note the following guidelines:

### Installation

- Only use in dry, indoor environments.
- The DKM Modular Extender and the power supply units can get warm. Do not situate them in an enclosed space without any airflow.
- Do not place the power supply directly on top of the device.
- Do not obscure ventilation holes.
- Only use power supplies originally supplied with the product or manufacturer-approved replacements. Do not use a power supply if it appears to be defective or has a damaged case.
- Connect all power supplies to grounded outlets. In each case, make sure that the ground connection is maintained from the outlet socket through to the power supply's AC power input.
- Do not connect the link interface to any other equipment, particularly network or telecommunications equipment.
- Take any required ESD precautions.

### Repair

- Do not attempt to open or repair a power supply unit.
- Do not attempt to open or repair the DKM Modular Extender. There are no user-serviceable parts inside.
- If there is a fault, contact Black Box Technical Support at 724-746-5500 or [info@blackbox.com](mailto:info@blackbox.com).

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## 1. Specifications

### 1.1 Interfaces

#### 1.1.1 DVI-D Single Link

The video interface supports the DVI-D protocol. All signals that comply with the DVI-D Single-Link specification can be transmitted. This includes, for example, monitor resolutions such as 1920 x 1200 @ 60 Hz, Full HD (1080p), or 2K HD (up to 2048 x 1152). Data rate is limited to 165 Megapixels per second.

#### 1.1.2 DVI-I Single Link

The video interface supports the DVI-I protocol. All analog (VGA) or digital (DVI) signals that comply with the DVI-I Single-Link specification can be transmitted. This includes monitor resolutions for VGA up to 1920 x 1200 @ 60 Hz, and monitor resolutions for DVI-I up to Full HD (1080p) or for DVI-D 2K HD (up to 2048 x 1152). Data rate is limited to 165 Megapixels per second.

*NOTE: Transmission of interlaced video signals, such as 1920 x 1080i, cannot be guaranteed.*

#### 1.1.3 USB-HID

Our devices with an USB-HID interface support a maximum of two devices compliant with the USB-HID protocol. Each USB-HID port provides a maximum current of 100 mA.

##### Keyboard

Compatible with most USB keyboards. Certain keyboards with additional functions may require custom firmware to operate. Keyboards with an integral USB hub (such as Mac® keyboards) are also supported.

##### Mouse

Compatible with most 2-button, 3-button, and scroll mice.

##### Other USB-HID devices

The proprietary USB emulation also supports certain other USB-HID devices, such as specific touchscreens, graphics tablets, bar-code scanners or special keyboards. Support cannot be guaranteed, however, for every USB-HID device.

*NOTE: Only two USB-HID devices are supported concurrently, such as keyboard and mouse or keyboard and touchscreen. A hub is allowed, but it does not increase the number of HID devices allowed.*

To support other USB "non-HID" devices, such as scanners, Web cams, or memory devices, choose our devices with transparent USB support.

#### 1.1.4 USB 2.0 (transparent)

DKM Modular Extender models with transparent USB 2.0 support allow the connection of all types of USB 2.0 devices (without restriction). USB 2.0 data transfer is supported with high-speed USB (max. 480 Mbps).

Each USB 2.0 port provides a maximum current of 500 mA (high power).

#### 1.1.5 RJ-45 (Interconnect)

For CATx communications, the extender requires a 1000BASE-T connection.

Connector wiring must comply with EIA/TIA-568-B (1000BASE-T), with RJ-45 connectors at both ends. All four cable wire pairs are used.

#### 1.1.6 Fiber SFP Type LC (Interconnect)

The communication of fiber devices is performed via Gigabit SFPs that have to be connected to suitable fibers fitted with type LC connectors (see Chapter 1.2.2).

*NOTE: The correct function of the device can only be guaranteed with SFPs provided by Black Box.*

*CAUTION: SFP modules can be damaged by electrostatic discharge (ESD).*



When handling, take care not to damage devices.

### 1.1.7 Serial Interface

The serial interface option supports a full-duplex transmission with a real hardware handshake up to a baud rate of 19,200.

The CON module is cabled as DTE (Data Terminal Equipment, such as CPU output) and can be connected directly to DCE (Data Communication Equipment) devices.

- A touchscreen can be connected directly to the CON module.
- To connect to a serial printer (or any other DTE instead of DCE device), you need a null-modem cable (cross-over cable) between the CON module and the device.

#### Operation of several devices:

The serial interface transmits six signals (three for each direction). Normally, four of the six signals are handshake signals (in addition to RxD and TxD). The following configurations, however, are possible using special adapter splitting cables:

- Three single 2-wire transmissions.
- Two transmissions with a handshake signal.
- A serial mouse and a single 2-wire transmission.

In this case, choose X-ON/X-OFF software handshake for traffic control at the printer and PC.

Table 1-1. Serial interface specifications.

Specification	Description
Connection Format	DTE (Data Terminal Equipment)
Speed	Up to 19,200 baud
Data Format	Format independent
Data Transmission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RxD (Receive Data)</li> <li>• TxD (Transmit Data)</li> </ul>
Traffic Control	<p>The following signals are transmitted (hardware handshake):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• RTS (Request to Send)</li> <li>• CTS (Clear to Send)</li> <li>• DTR (Data Terminal Ready)</li> <li>• DSR (Data Set Ready)</li> </ul>

### 1.1.8 Analog Audio Interface

The Analog Audio option supports a bidirectional stereo audio transmission, in nearly CD quality.

The audio interface is a “line level” interface and it is designed to transmit the signals of a sound card (or another “line level” device) as well as to allow the connection of active speakers to the CON module.

Stereo audio can be transmitted bidirectionally at the same time.

#### Connection of a microphone:

Connect the microphone to the “audio” input of the CON module. There are two ways to establish this connection:

- The output of the CPU module is connected with the microphone input of the sound card (red). Adjust the sound card to provide an additional amplification (20 dB).

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- The output of the CPU module is connected to the audio input of the sound card (blue). Choose this connection if the microphone has its own pre-amplifier.

*NOTE: The CON module can do the pre-amplification of the microphone as well. Open the CON module, locate the “MIC” jumper on the audio board and close the pins.*

Table 1-2. Analog audio specifications.

Specification	Description
Transmission Format	Digitized virtually CD-quality audio (16-bit, 38.4 kHz)
Signal Level	Line-level (5-volt peak-peak maximum)
Input Impedance	47 kOhm
Connections CPU Unit	(2) 3.5-mm stereo audio plug (audio in and audio out)
Connections CON Unit	(2) 3.5-mm stereo audio plug (audio in and audio out)

### 1.1.9 Digital Audio Interface

The digital audio option supports the unidirectional transmission of digital audio data.

Up to three sources can be connected to the CPU module. The active source is transmitted. If several sources are active, the XLR signal takes priority, otherwise the first active signal.

Up to three sinks can be connected to the CON module. The signal is available at all outputs concurrently.

DKM Modular Extender with digital audio option includes a built-in sample rate converter that provides predefined sample frequencies at the CON module's output.

The user can set the following parameters directly via a configuration file:

- Activate or deactivate sample rate converter
- Set sample frequency of the sample rate converter. The following sample frequencies are available:
  - 32.0 kHz
  - 44.1 kHz
  - 48.0 kHz
  - 96.0 kHz

Table 1-3. Digital audio interface specifications.

Specification	Description
Compatibility	AES/EBU, S/PDIF, EIAJCP1201, IEC 60958
Standards	Dolby digital, DTS, PCM
CPU Unit (Inputs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mini XLR (AES/EBU; symmetrical lockable)</li> <li>• Coaxial (S/PDIF; RCA, Cinch)</li> <li>• Optical (S/PDIF, TOSLINK®)</li> </ul>
CON Unit (Outputs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mini XLR (AES/EBU; symmetrical, lockable)</li> <li>• Coaxial (S/PDIF, RCA, Cinch)</li> <li>• Optical (S/PDIF, TOSLINK)</li> </ul>

## 1.2 Interconnect Cable

### 1.2.1 CATx

*NOTE: A point-to-point connection is required. Operation with several patch fields is possible. Routing over an active network component, such as an Ethernet hub, router, or switch, is not allowed.*

- Avoid routing CATx cables along power cables.
- If the site has 3-phase AC power, make sure that the CPU module and CON module are on the same phase.

*CAUTION: To maintain regulatory EMC compliance, you must use correctly installed shielded CATx cable throughout the interconnection link. Also, all CATx cables need to have ferrites on both cable ends close to the device.*

#### Type of Interconnect Cable

The DKM Modular Extender requires interconnect cabling specified for Gigabit Ethernet (1000BASE-T). The use of solid-core (24 AWG), shielded, CAT5e (or better) is recommended.

Table 1-4. CATx interconnect cable specifications.

Parameter	Description
CATx solid-core cable 24 AWG	S/UTP (CAT5e) cable according to EIA/TIA-568-B. Four pairs of 24 AWG wires. Connection according to EIA/TIA-568-B (1000BASE-T).
CATx patch cable 26/8 AWG	S/UTP (CAT5e) cable according to EIA/TIA-568-B. Four pairs of 26/8 AWG wires. Connection according to EIA/TIA-568-B (1000BASE-T).

*NOTE: You can use flexible cables (patch cables) type 26/8 AWG; however, but you'll only get half the maximum possible extension distance (Table 1-5).*

## Maximum Acceptable Cable Length

Table 1-5. Maximum acceptable CATx cable length.

Cable Type	Maximum Length
Solid-conductor 24 AWG CATx cable	400 feet (140 m)
Stranded-conductor 26/28 or 27/28 AWG or CATx cable	200 feet (70 m)

## 1.2.2 Fiber

A point-to-point connection is necessary. Operation with multiple patch panels is allowed. Routing over active network components, such as Ethernet hubs, switches, or routers, is not allowed.

### Type of Interconnect Cable

(Cable notations according to VDE)

Table 1-6. Fiber cable specifications.

Cable Type	Description
Single-mode fiber 9 $\mu\text{m}$	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Duplex.</li><li>• Indoor patch cable (EFN092)</li></ul>
Multimode fiber 50 $\mu\text{m}$	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Duplex.</li><li>• Indoor patch cable (EFN6020)</li></ul>
Multimode fiber 62.5 $\mu\text{m}$	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Duplex.</li><li>• Indoor patch cable (EFN116-LCLC)</li></ul>

Table 1-7. Maximum acceptable fiber cable length specifications.

Cable Type	Description
Single-mode fiber 9 $\mu\text{m}$	32,800 feet (10,000 m)
Multimode fiber 50 $\mu\text{m}$ (OM3)	3280 feet (1000 m)
Multimode fiber 50 $\mu\text{m}$	1300 feet (400 m)
Multimode fiber 62.5 $\mu\text{m}$	650 feet (200 m)

*NOTE: If you use single-mode SFPs with multimode fibers, you can normally double the maximum acceptable cable length.*

Connector type

The Modular Extenders have fiber LC connectors.

1.3 Supported Peripherals

1.3.1 USB-HID Devices

The DKM Modular Extender will support most USB-HID devices, including the vast majority of keyboards and mice currently on the market. Many other kinds of HID devices such as bar-code scanners and touchscreens may also be compatible.

It is not possible to guarantee support for all available USB-HID devices. In certain cases, you may need custom firmware.

USB-HID (and other) devices that are not supported as standard will normally operate with our devices featuring transparent USB support.

*NOTE: Concurrent operation of more than two USB-HID devices is not possible even if you use a USB hub.*

1.3.2 USB 2.0 Devices

DKM Modular Extender models featuring a transparent USB 2.0 connection use Extreme USB Technology. This technology supports all types of USB 2.0 devices; however, we cannot guarantee compatibility with every device on the market. Please contact Black Box Technical Support at 724-746-5500 or info@blackbox.com if any issues are found.

1.4 Connector Pinouts

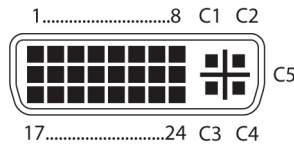


Figure 1-1. DVI-D connector.

Table 1-8. DVI-D single-link connector pinout.

Pin	Signal	Pin	Signal	Pin	Signal
1	TMDS data 2-	9	TMDS data 1-	17	TMDS data 0-
2	TMDS data 2+	10	TMDS data 1+	18	TMDS data 0+
3	TMDS data 2 GND	11	TMDS data 1 GND	19	TMDS data 0 GND
4	Not connected	12	Not connected	20	Not connected
5	Not connected	13	Not connected	21	Not connected
6	DDC input (SCL)	14	+5 VDC high impedance	22	TMDS clock GND
7	DDC output (SDA)	15	GND	23	TMDS clock +
8	Internal use	16	Hot-plug recognition	24	TMDS clock -
C1	Internal use	—	—	C3	Internal use
C2	Not connected	C5	GND	C4	Internal use

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## Connector DVI-I Single-Link

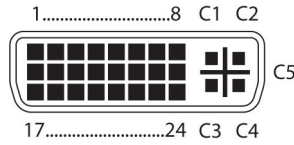


Figure 1-2. DVI-I connector.

Table 1-9. DVI-I single-link connector pinout.

Pin	Signal	Pin	Signal	Pin	Signal
1	TMDS data 2-	9	TMDS data 1-	17	TMDS data 0-
2	TMDS data 2+	10	TMDS data 1+	18	TMDS data 0+
3	TMDS data 2 GND	11	TMDS data 1 GND	19	TMDS data 0 GND
4	Not connected	12	Not connected	20	Not connected
5	Not connected	13	Not connected	21	Not connected
6	DDC input (SCL)	14	+5 VDC high impedance	22	TMDS clock GND
7	DDC output (SDA)	15	GND	23	TMDS clock +
8	V-sync	16	Hot-plug recognition	24	TMDS clock -
C1	Red signal	—	—	C3	Blue signal
C2	Green signal	C5	GND	C4	H-sync

## Connector USB Type B



Figure 1-3. USB Type B connector.

Table 1-10. USB Type B connector pinout.

Pin	Signal	Color
1	VCC (+5 VDC)	Red
2	Data -	White
3	Data +	Green
4	GND	Black

Connector USB Type A

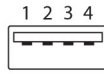


Figure 1-4. USB Type A connector.

Table 1-11. USB Type A connector pinout.

Pin	Signal	Color
1	VCC (+5 VDC)	Red
2	Data -	White
3	Data +	Green
4	GND	Black

Connector Mini USB Type B



Figure 1-5. Mini USB Type B connector.

Table 1-12. Mini USB Type B connector pinout.

Pin	Signal	Color
1	VCC (+5 VDC)	Red
2	Data -	White
3	Data +	Green
4	Not connected	—
5	GND	Black

RJ-45 connector

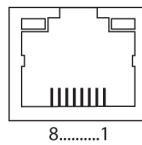


Figure 1-6. RJ-45 connector.

Table 1-13. RJ-45 connector pinout.

Pin	Signal	Pin	Signal
1	D1+	5	D3-
2	D1-	6	D2-
3	D2+	7	D4+
4	D3+	8	D4-

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## Fiber SFP Type LC

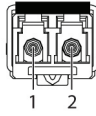


Figure 1-7. SFP Type LC connector.

Table 1-14. SFP Type LC connector pinout.

Pin	Signal
1	Data OUT
2	Data IN

## Power Supply



Figure 1-8. Power supply label.

Table 1-15. Power supply connector pinout.

Pin	Signal
Inside	VCC (+5 VDC)
Outside	GND

## DB9 (Serial)

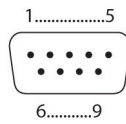


Figure 1-9. DB9 serial connector.

Table 1-16. DB9 serial connector pinout.

Pin	Signal	Pin	Signal
1	Not connected	6	DTR
2	CTS	7	TxD
3	RTS	8	RxD
4	DSR	0	Not connected
5	GND	—	—



3.5-mm Stereo Jack Plug



Figure 1-10. 3.5-mm stereo jack plug.

Table 1-17. 3.5-mm stereo jack plug pinout.

Pin	Signal
1	GND
2	Audio IN/OUT L
3	Audio IN/OUT R

RCA (Cinch)



Figure 1-11. RCA connector.

Table 1-18. RCA connector pinout.

Pin	Signal
1	GND
2	Data IN/OUT

Mini-XLR

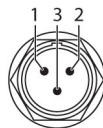


Figure 1-12. Mini XLR connector.

Table 1-19. Mini XLR connector pinout.

Pin	Signal
1	GND
2	Data +
3	Data -

## TOSLINK



Figure 1-13. TOSLINK connector.

Table 1-20. TOSLINK connector pinout.

Pin	Signal
1	Data IN/OUT

### 1.5 Power Supply

**Power** — ACXMODH2/4: 5 VDC;  
ACXMODH6R/21R: 100-240 VAC;  
ACX1MT, ACX1MR models: 5-VDC;  
Basic modules: Single-head devices: 800 mA max.,  
VGA: 900 mA max.;  
Upgrade modules: Analog audio/serial 300 mA max.,  
Digital audio: 300 mA max.,  
USB-HID: 300 mA max.;  
USB 2.0 modules: 2500 mA max.

### 1.6 Environmental Conditions

**Temperature Tolerance** — Operating: +41 to +113° F (+5 to +45° C)  
Storage Temperature: -13 to +140° F (-25 to +60° C)

**Relative Humidity (Max.)** — 80% non-condensing

### 1.7 Size

#### 2-port chassis (fully populated):

**CPU Module/CON Module** — 1.6"H x 5.7"W x 5.6"D (4.1 x 14.5 x 14.2 cm)

**Shipping Box** — 8.3"H x 5.5"W x 6.5"D (21 x 14 x 16.5 cm)

#### 4-port chassis (fully populated):

**CPU Module/CON Module** — 1.7"H x 11.5"W x 5.6"D (4.1 x 29.3 x 13 cm)

**Shipping Box** — 4.5"H x 21.7"W x 14.4"D (11.5 x 55 x 36.5 cm)

#### 6-port chassis (fully populated):

**CPU Module/CON Module** — 1.7"H x 17.5"W x 5.6"D (4.1 x 44.5 x 13 cm)

**Shipping Box** — 4.5"H x 29.9"W x 14.4"D (11.5 x 76 x 36.5 cm)

#### **Modular Cards:**

**CPU Module/CON Module** — 0.7"H x 5"W x 5.75"D (1.8 x 12.7 x 14.6 cm)

### 1.8 Shipping Weight

#### 2-port chassis (Empty):

CPU Module/CON Module — 0.6 lb. (0.3 kg)

Shipping Box — 4.9 lb. (2.2 kg)

#### 4-port chassis (Empty):

CPU Module/CON Module — 0.9 lb. (0.45 kg)

Shipping Box — 7.5 lb. (3.4 kg)

#### 6-port chassis (Empty):

CPU Module/CON Module — 2 lb. (0.85 kg)

Shipping Box — 10.1 lb. (4.6 kg)

## 2. Overview

### 2.1 Application

The DKM Modular Extender is used to increase the distance between a source (computer, CPU) and its console (keyboard, mouse, and other peripheral devices). It's designed for use with CATx (twisted-pair) interconnect cables or fiber interconnect cables.

The DKM Modular Extender with CATx interconnect cables won't work between buildings where you should use a fiber optic based product instead.

The DKM Modular Extender with fiber interconnect cables also works with applications in environments with a great deal of electromagnetic interference. Electromagnetical interference can limit the maximum distance und reliability.

The DKM Modular Extender is fully compatible with the DKM Compact Extender (ACX1T/ACX1R series).

It's designed to work in point-to-point applications as well as through a ServSwitch DKM or ServSwitch DKM FX crosspoint switch.

### 2.2 System Overview

The DKM Modular Extender consists of at least one CPU module and one console (CON) module. A 2-, 4-, or 6-slot modular case holds the modules. The DKM Modular cases (2-slot, 4-slot, or 6-slot) are installed at the CPU (transmitter) and CON (receiver) site.

The CPU module connects directly to the source (computer, CPU) using the supplied cables. The CON module connects to the console (monitor, keyboard, and mouse). The CPU module and the CON modules communicate with each other through the interconnect cables. Figure 2-1 shows a typical system application. Table 2-1 describes the components shown in the diagram.

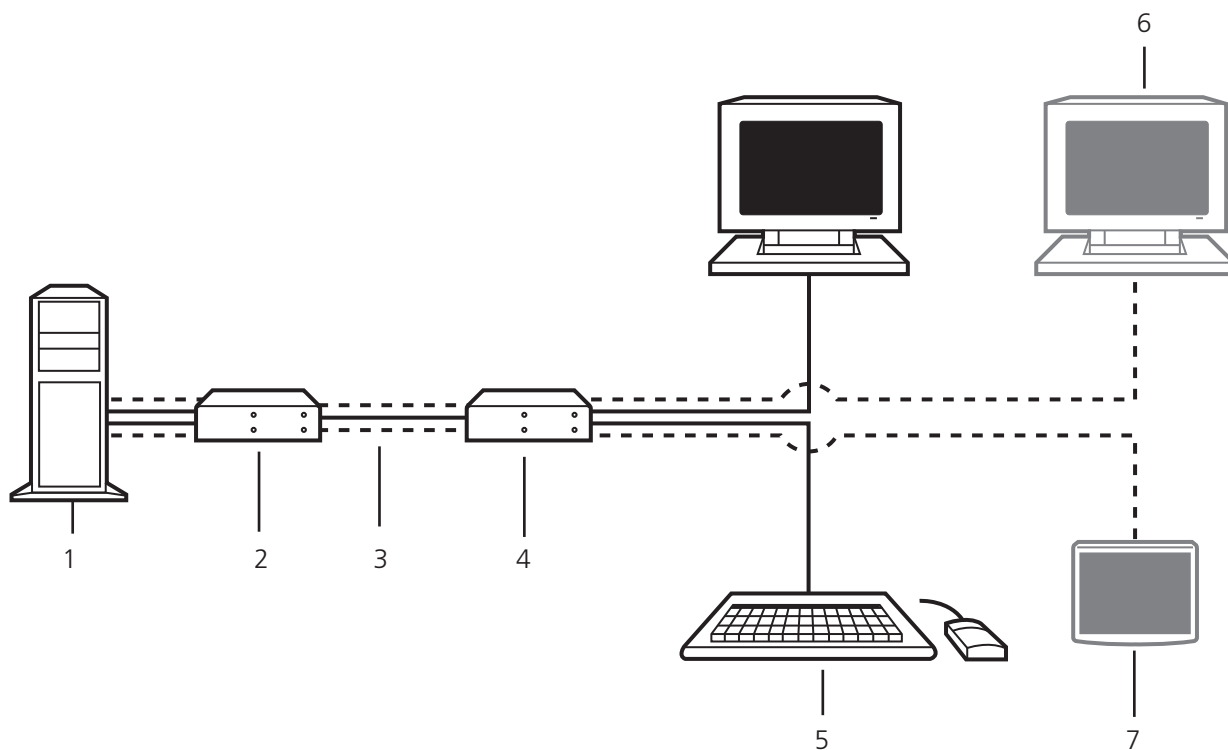


Figure 2-1. System diagram.

Table 2-1. System components.

Number	Component
1	Source (computer, CPU)
2	DKM Modular Extender CPU unit
3	Interconnect cable
4	DKM Modular Extender CON unit
5	Console (monitor, keyboard, mouse)
6	Second monitor (option, only with additional basic module)
7	USB-HID devices (option, only with USB-HID upgrade module)

NOTE: See Section 3.3 for installation examples.

## 2.3 Product Range

### 2.3.1 Basic Modules

Table 2-2. Basic modules.

Part Number	Description
ACX1MT-DHID-xx	Single-head transmitter (CPU) module for (1) DVI-D single link (up to 1920 x 1200 with (2) USB-HID ports
ACX1MR-DHID-xx	Single-head receiver (console [CON]) module for (1) DVI-D single link (up to 2048 x 1152) with (2) USB-HID ports
ACX1MT-DVHID-xx	Single-head transmitter (CPU) module for DVI-I (VGA/DVI) single link (up to 1920 x 1200) and for DVI-D (up to 2048 x 1152) with (2) USB-HID ports and IR remote control
ACX1MR-DVHID-xx	Single-head receiver (console [CON]) module for DVI-D single link (up to 2048 x 1152) with (2) USB-HID ports and IR remote control

### 2.3.2 Upgrade Modules

Table 2-3. Upgrade modules.

Part Number	Description
ACX1MT-HID	Upgrade module with (2) USB-HID
ACX1MR-HID	
ACX1MT-AR	Upgrade module with analog audio/serial (bidirectional)
ACX1MR-AR	
ACX1MT-DA	Upgrade module with digital audio (unidirectional)
ACX1MR-DA	
ACX1MT-ARH	Upgrade module with analog audio/serial (bidirectional) and (2) USB-HID
ACX1MR-ARH	
ACX1MT-DAH	Upgrade module with digital audio (unidirectional) and (2) USB-HID
ACX1MR-DAH	
ACX1MT-DAX	Upgrade module with digital audio (bidirectional)
ACX1MR-DAX	
ACX1MR-ARD	Upgrade module with digital audio (unidirectional) and analog audio/serial (bidirectional)
ACX1MT-ARD	

### 2.3.3 USB 2.0 Modules

Table 2-4. USB 2.0 modules.

Part Number	Description
ACX1MT-U2-xx	USB 2.0 module with (4) USB 2.0 ports
ACX1MR-U2-xx	

#### Part numbers for connections via CATx or fiber cable:

All mentioned devices are available in the following versions:

- Connection via CATx cable (xx = "C")
- Connection via multimode fiber cable (x = "MM")
- Connection via single-mode fiber cable (x = "SM")

#### Part numbers for CPU module and CON module:

*IMPORTANT!* The part numbers for the CPU module and the CON module can be derived from the part number of the complete device.

- CPU module: ACX1MT
- CON module: ACX1MR

*NOTE:* All devices in the ACX1MTI-R DKM Modular series are technically compatible with the devices of the DKM Compact Extenders (ACX1TI-R series).

### 2.4 Upgrade Kits

Table 2-5. Upgrade kits.

Part Number	Description
ACXMODH-RMK	19"/1U rackmount kit for 2-, 4-, and 6-fold chassis
ACXMODH-DMK	Fastening strips for screw or snap on for 2-, 4-, and 6-fold chassis
ACXMODH-R	Retrolifting for redundant power supply option (without power supply) for 4-fold chassis
ACXMODH-PS2	Power supply for 2-fold chassis (spare or redundant)
ACXMODH-PS4	Power supply for 4-fold chassis (spare or redundant)
ACXMODH-PS6	Power supply for 6-fold chassis (spare or redundant)
ACXMODH21-4S	Blind plate 3U/4HP for 2-, 4-, and 6-fold chassis
ACXMODH21-8S	Blind plate 3U/8HP for 2-, 4-, and 6-fold chassis

## 2.5 Accessories

Table 2-6. Accessories.

Part Number	Description
BC00200	6-foot (1.8-m) serial RS-232 cable
USB05-0006	6-foot (1.8-m) USB Type A to B cable
ACXMODH4-PS	100–240-VAC/5-VDC/5-A international power supply unit
ACXMODH2-PS	100–240-VAC/5-VDC/3-A international power supply unit
EVNDVI04-0006	6-foot (1.8-m) VGA cable (VGA to DVI-I)
EVNDVI02-0006	6-foot (1.8-m) DVI-D cable (DVI-D)
ACXSPL12	DVI-D splitter cable
EJ110-0005	5-foot (1.5-m) 3.5-mm stereo jack cable
EJ514-0005-MM	5-foot (1.5-m) RCA cable (Cinch male connector)
EFJ04-001M	3-foot (1-m) TOSLINK cable (F05 male connector)
Contact Tech Support at 724-746-5500 or info@blackbox.com.	6-foot (1.8-m) Mini-XLR cable (3-pole)

## 2.6 Device Views

### 2.6.1 2-Slot DKM Modular Chassis (CPU and CON modules)

#### CPU and CON module

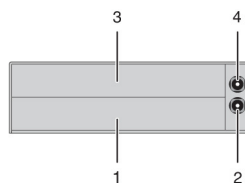


Figure 2-2. 2-slot modular chassis (CPU and CON Module) (ACXMODH2R).

Table 2-7. 2-slot modular chassis components.

Number	Component
1	Slot for module 1
2	Connect to 5-VDC power supply (standard)
3	Slot for module 2
4	Connect to 5-VDC power supply (redundancy, optional)

## 2.6.2 4-Slot DKM Modular Chassis (CPU and CON Modules)

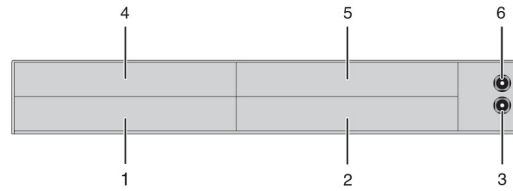


Figure 2-3. 4-slot modular chassis (CPU and CON module) (ACXMODH4R).

Table 2-8. 4-slot modular chassis components.

Number	Component
1	Slot for module 3
2	Slot for module 1
3	Connect to 5-VDC power supply (standard)
4	Slot for module 4
5	Slot for module 2
6	Connect to 5-VDC power supply (redundancy, optional)

## 2.6.3 6-Slot DKM Modular Chassis (CPU and CON Modules)

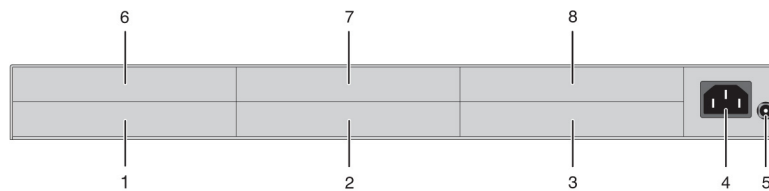


Figure 2-4. 6-slot DKM modular chassis (CPU and CON module) (ACXMODH6R).

Table 2-9. 6-slot DKM modular chassis components.

Number	Component
1	Slot for module 5
2	Slot for module 3
3	Slot for module 1
4	Connect to 100-240 VAC power
5	Connect to 5-VDC power supply (standard)
6	Slot for module 6
7	Slot for module 4
8	Slot for module 2



### 2.6.4 Basic Module ACX1MT-DHID-C/ACX1MR-DHID-C



Figure 2-5. ACX1MT-DHID-C module (CPU module) and ACX1MR-DHID-C module (CON module).

Table 2-10. ACX1MT-DHID-C/ ACX1MR-DHID-C module components.

CPU unit		CON unit	
1	Service port	1	Service port
2	Connect to interconnect cable	2	Connect to interconnect cable
3	To CPU: USB-HID	3	Connect to USB-HID devices
4	To CPU: DVI-D	4	Connect to DVI monitor

### 2.6.5 Basic Module ACX1MT-DHID-SM/ACX1MR-DHID-SM

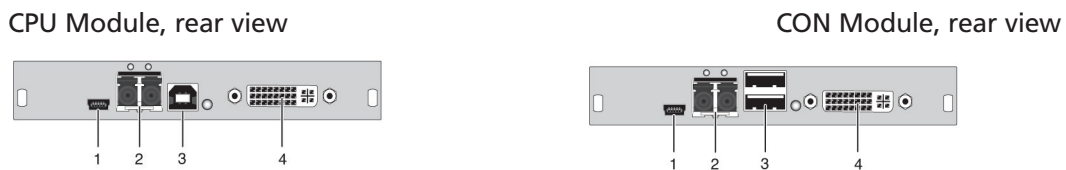


Figure 2-6. ACX1MT-DHID-SM module (CPU module) and ACX1MR-DHID-SM module (CON module).

Table 2-11. ACX1MT-DHID-SM/ ACX1MR-DHID-SM module components.

CPU unit		CON unit	
1	Service port	1	Service port
2	Connect to interconnect cable	2	Connect to interconnect cable
3	To CPU: USB-HID	3	Connect to USB-HID devices
4	To CPU: DVI-D	4	Connect to DVI monitor

## 2.6.6 Basic Module ACX1MT-DVHID-C/ACX1MR-DVHID-C

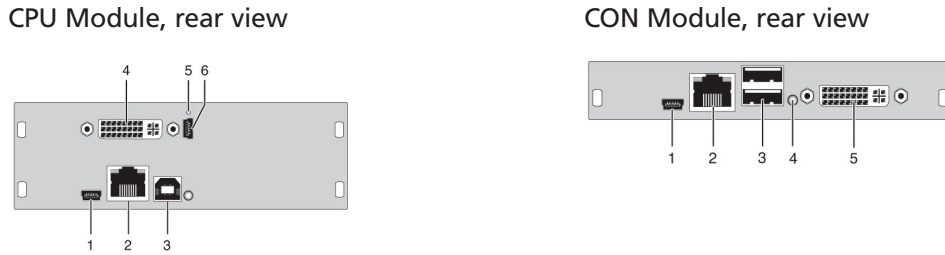


Figure 2-7. ACX1MT-DVHID-C module (CPU module) and ACX1MR-DVHID-C module (CON module).

Table 2-12. ACX1MT-DVHID-C/ ACX1MR-DVHID-C module components.

CPU unit		CON unit	
1	Service port	1	Service port
2	Connect to interconnect cable	2	Connect to interconnect cable
3	To CPU: USB-HID	3	Connect to USB-HID devices
4	To CPU: DVI-I (VGA/DVI)	4	IR receiver for remote control
5	IR receiver for remote control	5	Connect to DVI monitor
6	Service port (DVI-I)	—	—

## 2.6.7 Basic Module ACX1MT-DVHID-SM/ ACX1MR-DVHID-SM

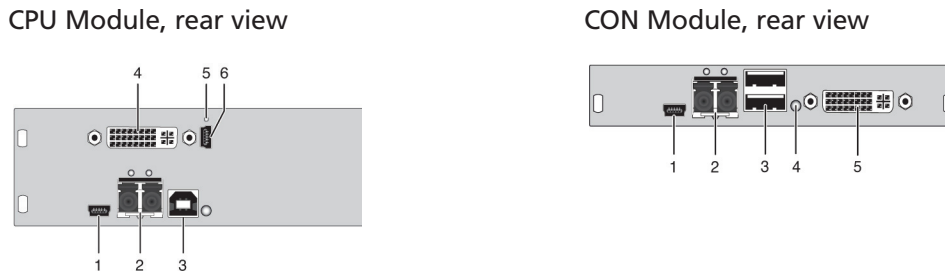


Figure 2-8. ACX1MT-DVHID-SM module (CPU module) and ACX1MR-DVHID-SM module (CON module).

Table 2-13. ACX1MT-DVHID-SM/ ACX1MR-DVHID-SM module components.

CPU unit		CON unit	
1	Service port	1	Service port
2	Connect to interconnect cable	2	Connect to interconnect cable
3	To CPU: USB-HID	3	Connect to USB-HID devices
4	To CPU: DVI-I (VGA/DVI)	4	IR receiver for remote control
5	IR receiver for remote control	5	Connect to DVI monitor
6	Service port (DVI-I)	—	—

### 2.6.8 Upgrade Module ACX1MT-HID/ACX1MR-HID



Figure 2-9. ACX1MT-HID-module (CPU module) and ACX1MR-HID module (CON module).

Table 2-14. ACX1MT-HID/ACX1MR-HID module components.

CPU unit		CON unit	
1	To CPU: USB-HID	1	Connect to USB-HID devices

### 2.6.9 Upgrade Module ACX1MT-AR/ACX1MR-AR



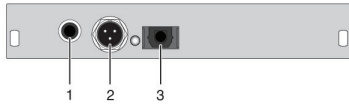
Figure 2-10. ACX1MT-AR module (CPU module) and ACX1MR-AR module (CON module).

Table 2-15. ACX1MT-AR/ACX1MR-AR module components.

CPU unit		CON unit	
1	Connect to serial (DB9)	1	Connect to serial DB9
2	Audio IN	2	Audio IN
3	Audio OUT	3	Audio OUT

## 2.6.10 Upgrade Module ACX1MT-DA/ACX1MR-DA

CPU Module, rear view



CON Module, rear view

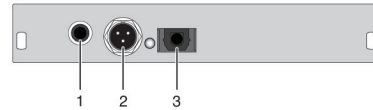


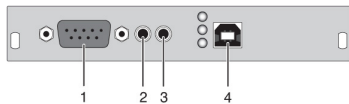
Figure 2-11. ACX1MT-DA module (CPU module) and ACX1MR-DA module (CON module).

Table 2-16. ACX1MT-DA/ACX1MR-DA module components.

CPU unit		CON unit	
1	S/PDIF input (RCA)	1	S/PDIF output (RCA)
2	AES/EBU input (Mini-XLR)	2	AES/EBU output (Mini-XLR)
3	S/PDIF input (TOSLINK®)	3	S/PDIF output (TOSLINK)

## 2.6.11 Upgrade Module ACX1MT-ARH/ACX1MR-ARH

CPU Module, rear view



CON Module, rear view

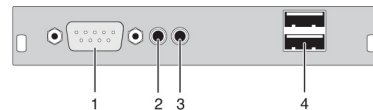


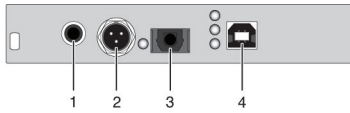
Figure 2-12. ACX1MT-ARH module (CPU module) and ACX1MR-ARH module (CON module).

Table 2-17. ACX1MT-ARH/ACX1MR-ARH module components.

CPU unit		CON unit	
1	Connect to serial (DB9)	1	Connect to serial (DB9)
2	Audio IN	2	Audio IN
3	Audio OUT	3	Audio OUT
4	To CPU: USB-HID	4	Connect to USB-HID devices

### 2.6.12 Upgrade Module ACX1MT-DAH/ACX1MR-DAH

CPU Module, rear view



CON Module, rear view

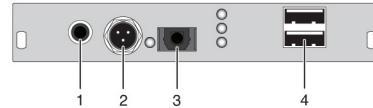


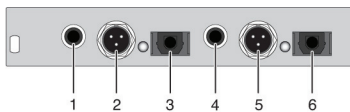
Figure 2-13. ACX1MT-DAH module (CPU module) and ACX1MR-DAH module (CON module).

Table 2-18. ACX1MT-DAH/ACX1MR-DAH module components.

CPU unit		CON unit	
1	S/PDIF input (RCA)	1	S/PDIF output (RCA)
2	AES/EBU input (Mini-XLR)	2	AES/EBU output (Mini-XLR)
3	S/PDIF input (TOSLINK)	3	S/PDIF output (TOSLINK)
4	To CPU: USB-HID	4	Connect to USB-HID devices

### 2.6.13 Upgrade Module ACX1MT-DAX/ACX1MR-DAX

CPU Module, rear view



CON Module, rear view

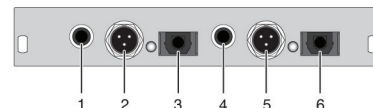


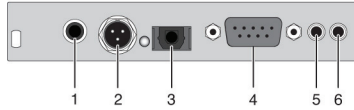
Figure 2-14. ACX1MT-DAX module (CPU module) and ACX1MR-DAX module (CON module).

Table 2-19. ACX1MT-DAX/ACX1MR-DAX module components.

CPU unit		CON unit	
1	S/PDIF input (RCA)	1	S/PDIF output (RCA)
2	AES/EBU input (Mini-XLR)	2	AES/EBU output (Mini-XLR)
3	S/PDIF input (TOSLINK)	3	S/PDIF output (TOSLINK)
4	S/PDIF output (RCA)	4	S/PDIF input (RCA)
5	AEX/EBU output (Mini-XLR)	5	AES/EBU input (Mini-XLR)
6	S/PDIF output (TOSLINK)	6	S/PDIF input (TOSLINK)

## 2.6.14 Upgrade Module ACX1MT-ARD/ACX1MR-ARD

CPU Module, rear view



CON Module, rear view

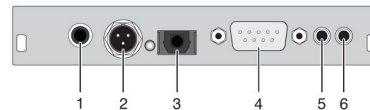


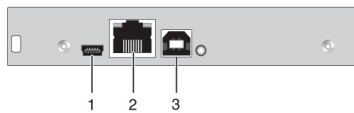
Figure 2-15. ACX1MT-ARD module (CPU module) and ACX1MR-ARD module (CON module).

Table 2-20. ACX1MT-ARD/ACX1MR-ARD module components.

CPU unit		CON unit	
1	S/PDIF input (RCA)	1	S/PDIF output (RCA)
2	AES/EBU input (Mini-XLR)	2	AES/EBU output (Mini-XLR)
3	S/PDIF input (TOSLINK)	3	S/PDIF output (TOSLINK)
4	Connect to serial (DB9)	4	Connect to serial (DB9)
5	Audio IN	5	Audio IN
6	Audio OUT	6	Audio OUT

## 2.6.15 USB 2.0 Module ACX1MT-U2-C/ACX1MR-U2-C

CPU Module, rear view



CON Module, rear view

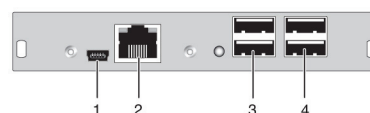


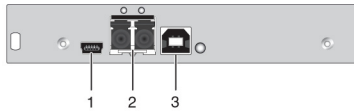
Figure 2-16. ACX1MT-U2-C module (CPU module) and ACX1MR-U2-C module (CON module).

Table 2-21. ACX1MT-U2-C/ACX1MR-U2-C module components.

CPU unit		CON unit	
1	Service port	1	Service port
2	Connect to interconnect cable	2	Connect to interconnect cable
3	To CPU: USB 2.0	3	Connect to USB 2.0 devices

### 2.6.16 USB 2.0 Module ACX1MT-U2-SM/ACX1MR-U2-SM

CPU Module, rear view



CON Module, rear view

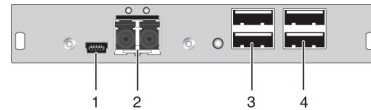


Figure 2-17. ACX1MT-U2-SM module (CPU module) and ACX1MR-U2-SM module (CON module).

Table 2-22. ACX1MT-U2-SM/ACX1MR-U2-SM module components.

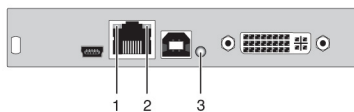
CPU unit		CON unit	
1	Service port	1	Service port
2	Connect to interconnect cable	2	Connect to interconnect cable
3	To CPU: USB 2.0	3	Connect to USB 2.0 devices

## 2.7 Status LEDs

### 2.7.1 Status Basic Module

The basic module has a multicolor LED on both sides to indicate overall status. It also has two additional LEDs on the back side to indicate the connection status.

CPU module, rear view



CON module, rear view

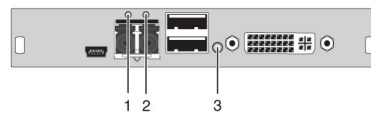
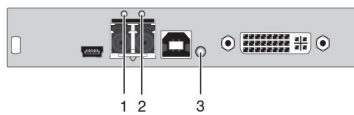
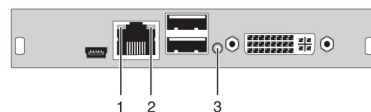


Figure 2-18. Status LEDs on the basic module.

Table 2-23. LED 1 and 2: Connection Status.

Position	LED	Status	Description
1	Failure LED (green)	Off	Connection available
		On or Flashing	Connection failure (flashing for about 20 seconds following a connection failure)
2	Status LED (green)	Flashing	No connection via interconnect cable
		On	Connection available

Table 2-24. LED 3: USB and Video Status.

Color	Description
Dark Red	Device ready
Red	Connection available
Blue	USB connection available
Green	Video available
Yellow	Connection and USB signal available, no video
Violet	Connection and video signal available, no USB signal
Light Blue	USB and video signal available, no connection
Turquoise	Connection, USB, and video signal available (operating status)

### 2.7.2 Status Basic Module VGA/DVI-I

The basic module with VGA/DVI-I input has a multicolor LED on the front side of the CPU module to indicate connection status. More information is available via on-screen display (OSD) (see the manual for the Media/DVI Converter [ACS411A-R2]).

CPU module

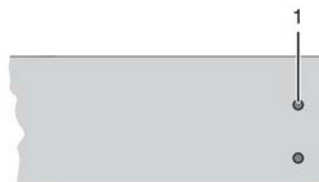


Figure 2-19. Front view of the CPU module.

Table 2-25. LED 3: Connection Status VGA/DVI-I.

LED	Description
Dark Red	No video signal; monitor not detected
Red	Video signal not supported; monitor not detected
Green	Video signal supported; monitor not detected
Blue	No video signal; monitor detected
Violet	Video signal not supported; monitor detected
Light Blue	Video signal supported; monitor detected



### 2.7.3 Status Upgrade Module Digital Audio

The upgrade module digital audio has another multicolor LED on the rear side to indicate the connection status:



Figure 2-20. Status upgrade module digital audio.

Table 2-26. LED 1: Digital Audio Status.

LED color	Description
Red	No signal
Cyan	CPU Unit: S/PDIF signal (RCA) available
Violet	CPU Unit: AES/EBU signal (Mini-XLR) available
Blue	CPU Unit: S/PDIF signal (TOSLINK) available
Green	CON Unit: Signal available

### 2.7.4 Status Upgrade Module USB-HID

The upgrade module USB-HID has three LEDs on the rear side to indicate the connection status:



Figure 2-21. Status upgrade modules USB-HID.

Table 2-27. LED 1, 2, and 3: Status.

Position	LED	Status	Description
1, 2	Device LED (orange)	Off	No USB-HID device or not supported; USB device connected
		Flashing fast	USB-HID device active
		On	USB-HID device ready or DKM Modular Extender in command mode
3	Status LED (orange)	Off	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No power supply voltage</li> <li>CPU Unit: DKM Modular Extender in command mode or no connection</li> <li>CON Unit: Keyboard in command mode</li> </ul>
		Flashing slowly	CON Unit: DKM Modular Extender in command mode or no connection
		Flashing fast	Operating status

## 2.7.5 Status USB 2.0 Module

The USB 2.0 module has a multicolor LED on both sides to indicate overall status. It also has two more LEDs on the back side to indicate the connection status.

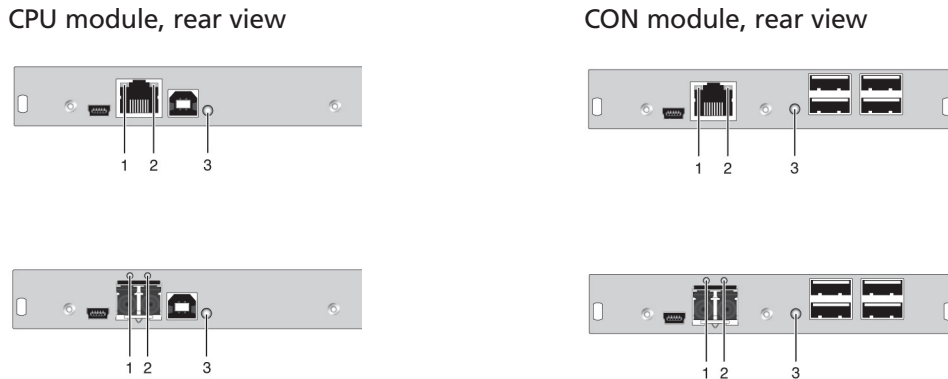


Figure 2-22. Status USB 2.0 module.

Table 2-28. LEDs 1 and 2: Status.

Position	LED	Status	Description
1	Failure LED (green)	Off	Connection available
		On or flashing	Connection failure (flashing for about 20 seconds following a connection failure)
2	Status LED (green)	Off	No connection via interconnect cable
		On	Connection available

Table 2-29. LED 3: USB 2.0 Status.

LED color	Description
Red	Device ready
Green	Only connection available, no USB 2.0 signal
Green/turquoise flashing	Connection available, no USB 2.0 device connected (only CON unit)
Turquoise	Connection and USB 2.0 signal available (operating status)

### 3. Installation

#### 3.1 Package Contents

Your extender package contains the following items. If anything is missing or damaged, please contact Black Box Technical Support at 724-746-5500 or info@blackbox.com.

##### Basic Modules:

- DKM Modular Chassis with pre-installed CON/CPU Modules
- (2) 5-VDC international power supply units
- (2) country-specific power cords
- Quick Start Guide
- (1) DVI video cable (6-ft. [1.8 m], DVI-D male-to-male)



Figure 3-1. DVI video cable.

- (1) USB cable (6-ft. [1.8 m], Type A to Type B)



Figure 3-2. USB cable.

The basic module VGA (replaces DVI-D cable) also includes:

- VGA cable (6-ft. [1.8 m], VGA male to DVI-I male)



Figure 3-3. VGA cable.

- Infrared remote control

The upgrade module Analog Audio/Serial also includes:

- Serial cable (6-ft. [1.8 m], RS-232 male connector)



Figure 3-4. Serial cable.

- Stereo jack cable (5.2-ft. [1.6-m], 3.5 mm male connector)



Figure 3-5. Stereo jack cable.

The upgrade module Digital Audio also includes:

- RCA cable (8.2-ft. [2.5 m], Cinch male connector)



Figure 3-6. RCA cable.

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- TOSLINK cable (6-ft. [1.8 m], F05 male connector)



Figure 3-7. TOSLINK cable.

The upgrade module USB-HID also includes:

- USB cable (6-ft. [1.8 m], USB Type A to Type B)



Figure 3-8. USB cable.

The USB 2.0 module also includes:

- USB cable (6-ft. [1.8 m], USB Type A to Type B)



Figure 3-9. USB cable.

### 3.2 System Setup

*NOTE: If you are a first-time user, we recommend that you set up the system with the CPU module and the CON module in the same room as a test setup. This will enable you to identify and solve any cabling problems, and experiment with your system more conveniently.*

*NOTE: Verify that interconnect cables, interfaces, and handling of the devices comply with the requirements (see Section 3.1).*

#### 3.2.1 Basic Module Setup

1. Switch off all devices.

##### CON Module Installation

2. Connect your monitor(s), keyboard, and mouse to the CON module.
3. Connect the CON module with the interconnect cable(s).
4. Connect the 5-VDC power supply to the CON module.

##### CPU Module Installation

5. Connect the source (computer, CPU) with the supplied cables to the CPU module. Make sure the cables are not strained.
6. Connect the CPU module to the interconnect cable(s).
7. Connect the 5-VDC power supply to the CPU module.
8. Power up the system.

*NOTE: To power up the system, the following sequence is recommended: Monitor – CON module – CPU module – source.*

*NOTE: The basic module with VGA / DVI-I input is connected as mentioned above. Default output video setting is scaled to 1024 x 768. For a complete and detailed description of the setup and configuration of the VGA option, see the Media/DVI Converter (ACS411A-R2) manual.*

*NOTE: In the modular chassis, CON modules may be fitted next to CPU modules. The CON/CPU naming convention is based on the module rather than on the chassis that holds the modules.*

### 3.2.2 Setup of Upgrade Modules

You can hot-plug the modules.

#### Upgrade Module Analog Audio/Serial:

1. Connect the audio source with the CPU module (for example, CPU audio output with audio input, CPU audio input with audio output).
2. Connect the audio output at the CON module with headphones or suitable speakers.
3. Connect the audio input at the CON module with a suitable microphone.

#### Upgrade Module Digital Audio:

1. Connect the digital audio source with the suitable audio input of the CPU module.
2. Connect the audio output of the CON module with suitable speakers or audio amplifiers.

*NOTE: If several active sources are connected, Mini-XLR input takes priority. The audio signal is available at all outputs.*

#### Upgrade Module USB-HID:

1. Connect the CPU with the CPU module (USB-HID 2).
2. Connect the USB-HID devices with the CON module (Connect to USB-HID device 2).

### 3.2.3 Setup of USB 2.0 Modules

1. Connect the CPU with the CPU module (USB 2.0).
2. Connect the USB 2.0 devices with the CON module (Connect to USB 2.0 devices).

## 3.3 Example Applications

This section illustrates typical installations of DKM Modular Extenders:

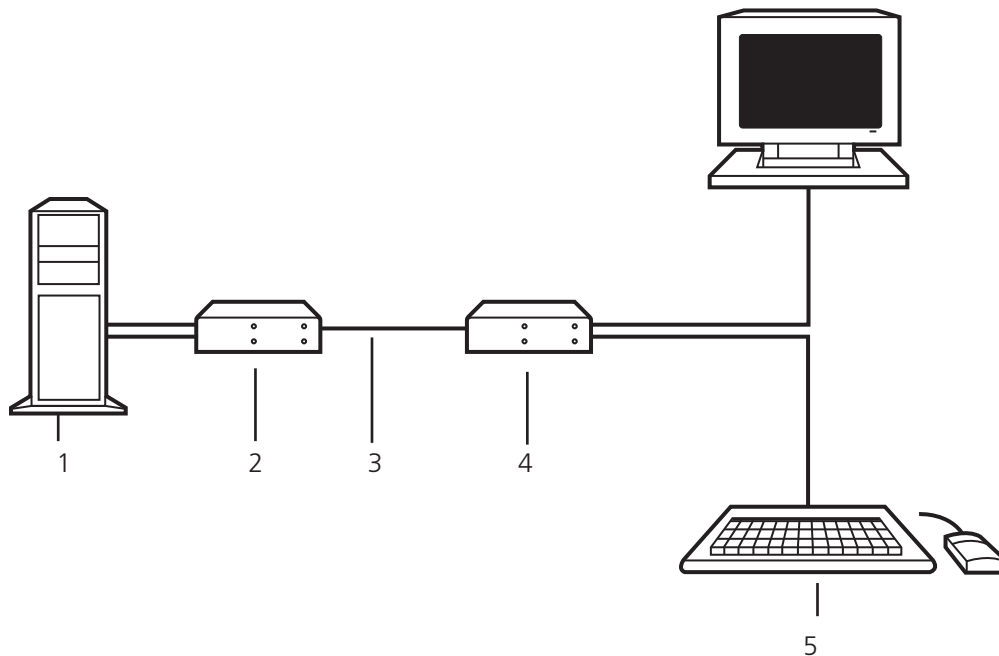


Figure 3-10. DKM Modular Extender (Single-Head).

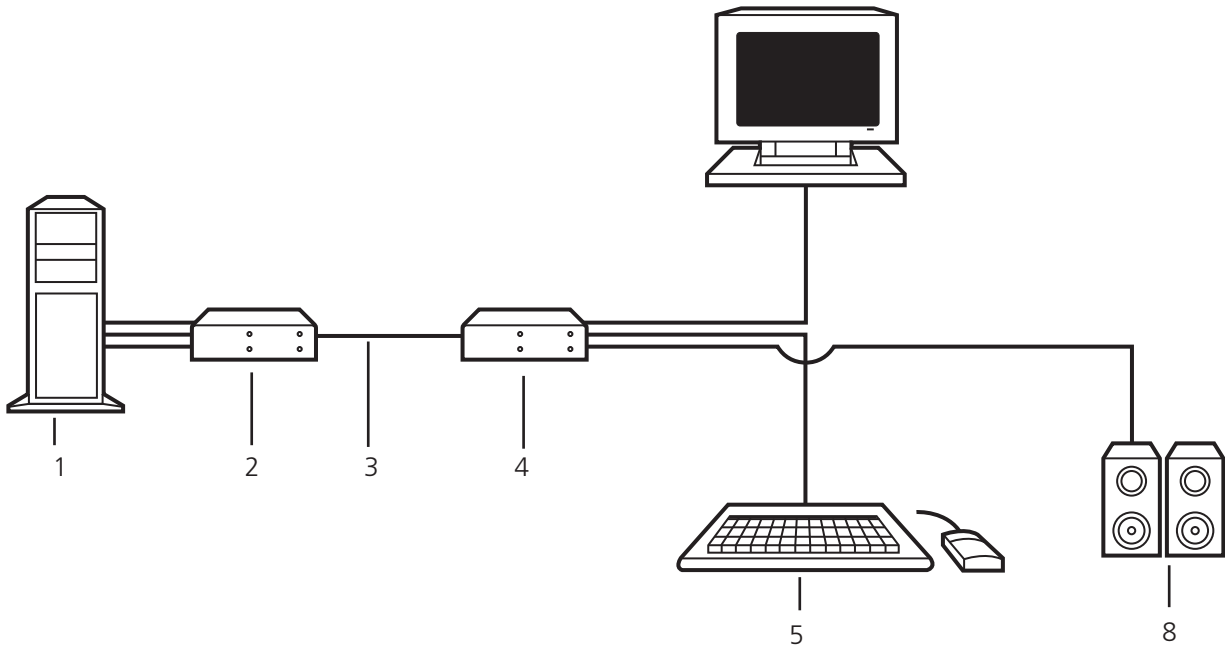


Figure 3-11. DKM Modular Extender (Single-Head with Digital/Analog Audio).

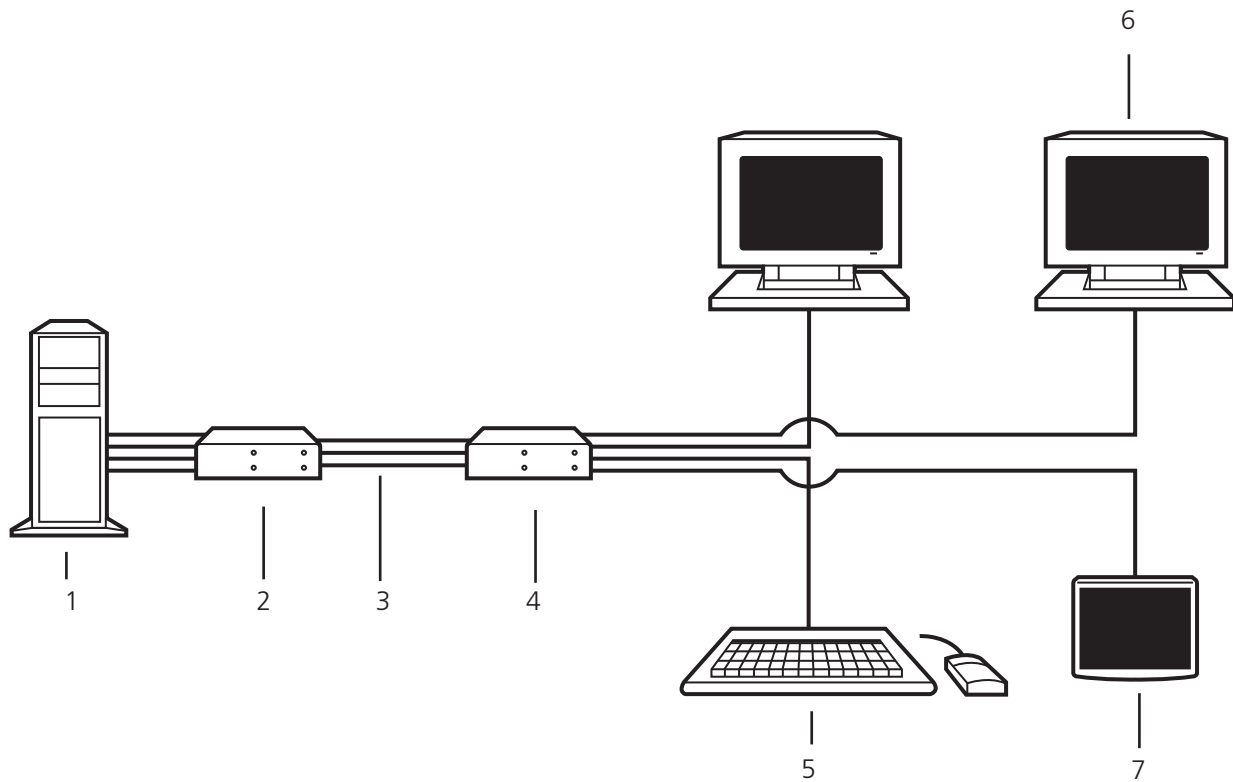


Figure 3-12. DKM Modular Extender (Dual-Head with 4x USB-HID).

Table 3-1. Components in Figures 3-10 through 3-12.

Number	Description
1	Source (computer, CPU)
2	DKM Modular Extender CPU Unit
3	Interconnect cable
4	DKM Modular Extender CON Unit
5	Console (keyboard, monitor, mouse)
6	Second monitor (option, only with dual-head devices)
7	USB-HID devices (option, only with [4] USB-HID devices)
8	Audio sink (optional, only with devices with analog audio/serial option or digital audio option)

## 4. Configuration

### 4.1 Transmission Parameters

The device operates with a proprietary compression method. In its default configuration, the device adapts dynamically to monitor resolution and image content. This configuration works in almost all conditions. Modify it only if image quality is not fully satisfactory.

*NOTE: In exceptional cases, detached "frame droppings" (loss of single pictures) or color effects can appear.*

### 4.2 DDC Settings

By default, the device sends the factory preset DDC information to the CPU. This information works in most cases.

During normal operation, you can download the console monitor's DDC information (see Chapter 5).

For special requirements, DDC information can be retrieved and uploaded as a binary file at both the CPU module and the CON module.

Connect your computer with a USB Mini cable to the CPU module's or CON module's service port.

You can now access the data area of the unit as a flash drive "Extender."

#### Uploading DDC Information

Copy the binary file containing your specific DDC information to the flash drive of the CPU module or CON module.

The current DDC information is replaced.

#### Retrieving DDC Information

Copy the file "DDC-EDID.bin" on the flash drive of the CPU module to your computer.

To open the binary file, you have to install a suitable software, for example, WinDDCwrite (Download), on your computer.

#### Reset to Factory DDC Information

Delete the file called "DDC-EDID.bin" on the flash drive of the CPU module. By deleting this file, the factory DDC Information is restored.

### 4.3 Command Mode

During normal use, the console keyboard functions in the usual manner. However, for all KVM Extenders with USB-HID support, you can set the keyboard into a Command Mode by using a specific "hotkey" sequence. While in Command Mode, several functions are performed via keyboard commands. To exit Command Mode, press <Esc>. While in Command Mode, the LEDs Shift and Scroll on the console keyboard will flash.

*NOTE: In Command Mode, normal keyboard and mouse operation will cease. Only selected keyboard commands are available.*

Table 4-1 lists the keyboard commands to enter and to exit Command Mode and to change the hotkey sequence.

Table 4-1. Keyboard commands.

Function	Keyboard Command
Enter Command Mode	2x <Left-Shift>/Hotkey
Exit Command Mode	<Esc>
Change Hotkey sequence	<Left-Ctrl> + <Left-Shift> + <C>, <Hotkey code>, <Enter>



Table 4-2. Keyboard sequences.

Keyboard Sequence	Description
<Key> + <Key>	Press keys simultaneously
<Key>, <Key>	Press keys successively
2x<Key>	Press key quickly, twice in a row (similar to a mouse-click)

You can change the hotkey sequence to enter Command Mode. Table 4-3 lists the hotkey codes for the available key sequences.

Table 4-3. Hotkey Sequences.

Hotkey Code	Hotkey
1	<Left-Ctrl> + <Left-Shift> + <i>
2	2x <Scroll>
3	2x <Left-Shift>
4	2x <Left-Ctrl>
5	2x <Left-Alt>
6	2x <Right-Shift>
7	2x <Right-Ctrl>
8	2x <Right-Alt>

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#### Download of DDC Information

By default, data from the internal DDC list is reported to the source (computer, CPU). If these settings do not lead to a satisfying result, you can download and store the console monitor's DDC information internally. The devices must be configured accordingly (see Section 4.2).

On all KVM Extenders with USB-HID support, the user can load the DDC information of the console monitor via keyboard command under operating conditions.

1. Enter Command Mode with the “**hotkey**” (see Section 4.2).
2. Press the <a> key to download the DDC information of the console monitor.

The screen goes black for a short time. Status LEDs on both CON and then CPU modules will flash to indicate the copy and store process.

At the same time Command Mode is closed and the keyboard LEDs return to previous status.

This re-adjusts the video mode. You should have optimal screen quality. The CPU should now show the console monitor as the current screen, together with the available video resolutions.

The DDC information of the console monitor was loaded once.

To re-load the DDC information, repeat the operation.

## 6. Troubleshooting

### 6.1 Blank Screen

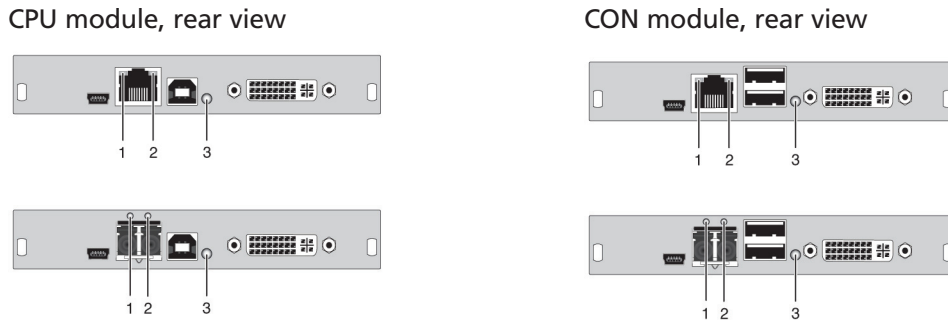


Figure 6-1. Blank screen.

Table 6-1. Blank screen troubleshooting.

Diagnosis	Possible Reason	Measure
LED 3 off	Power supply	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check power supply units and the connection to the power network.</li> </ul>
LED 1 on or LED 2 off	Connection between the CON unit and the CPU unit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check interconnect cables and connections.</li> </ul>
CPU unit: LED 3 red or yellow	No video signal detected by source (computer, CPU)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check DVI-D cable to CPU.</li> <li>• Download DDC information from console monitors (see Chapter 5). Reboot CPU if necessary.</li> </ul>
CON unit: LED 3 red or yellow	No monitor detected	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check connection, length, and quality of the DVI-D cable to monitor; tighten cable thumbscrews.</li> </ul>
	No video signal detected from CPU unit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check connection, length, and quality of the interconnect cables between the units.</li> <li>• Download DDC information from console monitors (see Chapter 5). Reboot CPU if necessary.</li> </ul>

## 6.2 USB-HID at the Basic Module

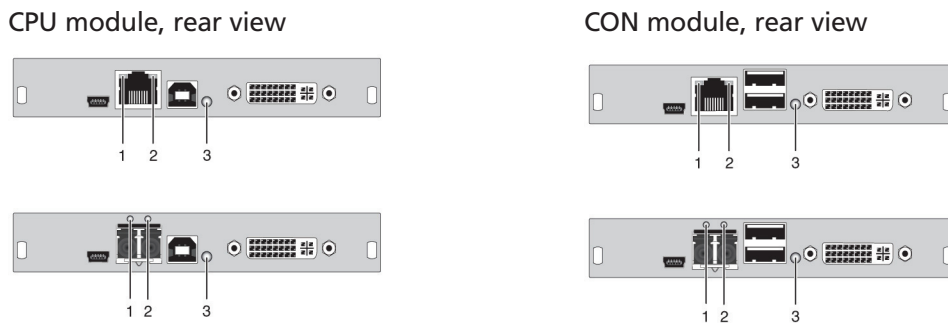


Figure 6-2. USB-HID at the basic module.

Table 6-2. USB-HID at the basic module troubleshooting.

Diagnosis	Possible Reason	Measure
Keyboard LEDs <b>Shift</b> and <b>Scroll</b> are blinking	Keyboard in command mode	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Press &lt;Esc&gt; to leave command mode</li> </ul>
CPU unit: LED 3 green or violet	No USB connection to CPU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check connection of USB cable to CPU; select another USB port if necessary.</li> <li>Remove USB and power cable and restart CPU. Connect power cable first.</li> </ul>
CON unit: LED 3 green or violet	Problems with USB connection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check connection of USB cable to USB-HID device.</li> <li>Remove DVI and power cable and restart CON unit. Connect power cable first.</li> </ul>
USB device without function	No USB-HID device	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Connect USB-HID device.</li> </ul>
	USB-HID device is not supported	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contact Black Box Technical Support at 724-746-5500 or info@blackbox.com if necessary.</li> </ul>

## 6.3 Serial Connection Upgrade Module

Table 6-3. Serial connection upgrade module troubleshooting.

Diagnosis	Possible Reason	Measure
Serial device not operational	Settings of the serial interface	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check baud rate and general settings.</li> </ul>
	No serial connection to CPU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check connection via serial cable.</li> </ul>
	No serial connection to end device (for example, touchscreen, keyboard)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Connect serial end device and switch it on.</li> <li>Check connection via serial cable.</li> </ul>
Touchscreen not operational	Hardware handshake	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adjust serial interface to X-ON/X-OFF software handshake.</li> </ul>

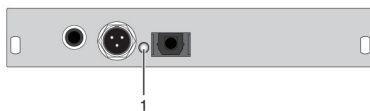
### 6.4 Analog Audio Upgrade Module

Table 6-4. Analog audio upgrade module troubleshooting.

Diagnosis	Possible Reason	Measure
CON unit: No signal at audio output	No audio connection to CPU/audio source	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connect analog audio source.</li> <li>• Check audio cable.</li> </ul>
	No signal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Switch analog audio source on.</li> <li>• Activate analog output at CPU/audio source.</li> </ul>
	No audio connection to audio sink (for example, speakers)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connect analog audio sink and switch it on.</li> <li>• Check connection of audio cable.</li> </ul>
CPU unit: No signal at audio output (microphone)	No audio connection to audio source (microphone)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connect analog audio source (microphone).</li> <li>• Check connection of audio cable.</li> </ul>
	No signal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Switch analog audio source on.</li> <li>• Activate analog output at audio source.</li> </ul>
	No audio connection to audio sink (for example, CPU)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check connection to CPU.</li> <li>• Check connection of audio cable.</li> <li>• Check audio configuration.</li> </ul>

### 6.5 Digital Audio Upgrade Module

CPU module, rear view



CON module, rear view

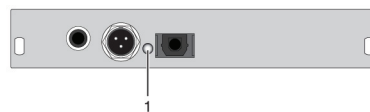


Figure 6-3. Digital audio upgrade module.

Table 6-5. Digital audio upgrade module troubleshooting.

Diagnosis	Possible Reason	Measure
CPU unit: LED 1 red	No audio connection to CPU/audio source	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connect digital audio source.</li> <li>• Check connection of audio cable.</li> </ul>
	No signal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Switch digital audio source on.</li> <li>• Activate digital output at CPU/audio source.</li> </ul>
CON unit: LED 1 red	No audio connection to audio sink (for example, speakers)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connect digital audio sink.</li> <li>• Check connection of audio cable.</li> </ul>
	No signal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check signal at CPU unit.</li> </ul>
No signal/LEDs 1 OK	Digital silence at active audio source	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check LEDs at CPU unit.</li> <li>• Check audio format.</li> <li>• Change audio input.</li> </ul>

## 6.6 USB-HID Upgrade Module



Figure 6-4. USB-HID at the basic module.

Table 6-6. USB-HID upgrade module troubleshooting.

Diagnosis	Possible Reason	Measure
LEDs 1 and 2 off	Device at higher/lower USB-HID port not detected	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check connection of USB cable to USB-HID device.</li> <li>• Connect USB-HID device.</li> <li>• Contact Black Box Technical Support at 724-746-5500 or info@blackbox.com or your local Black Box subsidiary if necessary.</li> </ul>
CPU unit: LED 3 off	Connection between CON unit and CPU unit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check interconnect cable and connectors.</li> </ul>
CON unit: LED 3 off	Keyboard in command mode	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press &lt;Esc&gt; to leave command mode.</li> </ul>
CON unit: LED 3 flashing slowly	Connection between CON unit and CPU unit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check interconnect cable and connections.</li> </ul>
	Keyboard in command mode	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Press &lt;Esc&gt; to leave command mode.</li> </ul>

### 6.7 USB 2.0 Upgrade Module

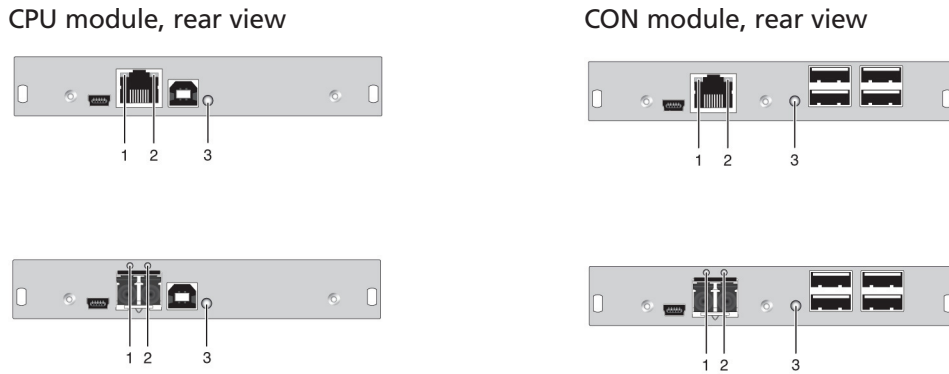


Figure 6-5. USB 2.0 upgrade module.

Table 6-7. USB 2.0 upgrade module troubleshooting.

Diagnosis	Possible Reason	Measure
CPU unit: All LEDs off	No connection to CPU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check connection USB cable to CPU; select another USB port if necessary.</li> <li>• Remove USB and power cable and restart CPU. Connect power cable first.</li> </ul>
CON unit: LED 3 red	Connection between CON unit and CPU unit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check interconnect cable and connectors.</li> </ul>
CON unit: LED 3 flashing green/turquoise and USB 2.0 device without function	No USB 2.0 device	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connect USB 2.0 device.</li> </ul>
	USB 2.0 device is not supported	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check installation at the CPU. Also check to make sure the CPU has the necessary drivers.</li> <li>• New connection of the USB 2.0 device.</li> <li>• Contact Black Box Technical Support at 724-746-5500 or info@blackbox.com if necessary.</li> </ul>

### 7. Technical Support

#### 7.1 Contacting Black Box

If you determine that your ServSwitch DKM Extender is malfunctioning, do not attempt to alter or repair the unit. It contains no user-serviceable parts. Contact Black Box Technical Support at 724-746-5500 or [info@blackbox.com](mailto:info@blackbox.com) or your local Black Box subsidiary.

Before you do, make a record of the history of the problem. We will be able to provide more efficient and accurate assistance if you have a complete description, including:

- the nature and duration of the problem.
- when the problem occurs.
- the components involved in the problem.
- any particular application that, when used, appears to create the problem or make it worse.

#### 7.2 Shipping and Packaging

If you need to transport or ship your ServSwitch DKM Extender:

- Package it carefully. We recommend that you use the original container.
- If you are returning the unit, make sure you include everything you received with it. Before you ship for return or repair, contact Black Box to get a Return Authorization (RA) number.



## 8. Glossary

The following terms are commonly used in this guide or in video and KVM technology:

**Access:** A system to operate a source (computer, CPU) from two consoles.

**AES/EBU:** Digital audio standard that is officially known as AES3. It's used to carry digital audio signals between devices.

**CATx:** Any CAT5e (CAT6, CAT7) cable

**CGA:** The Color Graphics Adapter (CGA) is an old analog graphic standard that displays up to 16 colors and at a maximum resolution of 640 x 400 pixels.

**Component Video:** The Component Video (YPbPr) is a high-quality video standard that consists of three independently and separately transmittable video signals: the luminance signal and two color difference signals.

**Composite Video:** The Composite Video is also called FBAS and it is part of the PAL TV standard.

**CON module:** Component of a DKM Modular Extender or Media Extender to connect to the console (monitor(s), keyboard and mouse; optionally also with USB 2.0 devices).

**Console:** Keyboard, mouse and monitor.

**CPU module:** Component of a DKM Modular Extender or Media Extender to connect to a source (computer, CPU).

**DDC:** The Display Data Channel (DDC) is a serial communication interface between monitor and source (computer, CPU). It can exchange data via a monitor cable and the operating system can install and configure a monitor driver automatically.

**Dual-Head:** A system with two video connections.

**Dual-Link:** A DVI-D interface for resolutions up to 2560 x 2048 that transmits signals up to 330 MPixel/s (24-bit)

**DVI:** Digital video standard, introduced by the Digital Display Working Group (<http://www.ddwg.org>). Single-Link and Dual-Link standard are distinguished. The signals have TMDS level.

**DVI-I:** A combined signal (digital and analog) that allows running a VGA monitor at a DVI-I port—in contrast to DVI-D (see DVI).

**EGA:** The Enhanced Graphics Adapter (EGA) is an old analog graphics standard, introduced by IBM in 1984. It uses a DB9 connector for connection.

**FBAS:** The analog color video baseband signal (FBAS) is also called Composite Video and it is part of the PAL TV standard.

**Fiber:** Single-mode or multimode fiber cables.

**KVM:** Keyboard, video and mouse.

**Mini-XLR:** Industrial standard for electrical plug connections (3-pole) for the transmission of digital audio and control signals.

**Multimode:** 62.5 $\mu$  fiber cable or 50 $\mu$  fiber cable

**OSD:** The on-screen-display displays information or operates a device.

**Quad-Head:** A system with four video connections.

**RCA (Cinch):** A non-standardized plug connection that transmits electrical audio and video signals, especially with coaxial cables.

**SFP:** Small Form Factor Pluggable (SFPs) are pluggable interface modules for Gigabit connections. SFP modules are available for CATx and fiber interconnect cables.

**Single-Head:** A system with one video connection.

**Single Link:** A DVI-D interface that supports resolutions up to 1920 x 1200 by transmitting signals up to 165 Megapixels per second (24-bit). Alternative frequencies are Full HD (1080p), 2K HD (2048 x 1080), and 2048 x 1152.

**Single-mode:** 9 $\mu$  fiber cable

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**S/PDIF:** A digital audio interconnect that is used in consumer audio equipment over relatively short distances.

**S-Video (Y/C):** The S-Video (Y/C) is a video format that transmits luminance and chrominance signals separately. It has a higher quality standard than FBAS.

**TOSLINK:** Standardized fiber connection system that digitally transmits audio signals (F05 plug connection).

**Triple-Head:** A system with three video connections.

**USB-HID:** USB-HID devices (Human Interface Device) allow for data input. There is no need for a special driver during installation; "New USB-HID device found" is reported. Typical HID devices include keyboards, mice, graphics tablets, and touchscreens. Storage, video, and audio devices are not HID.

**VGA:** Video Graphics Array (VGA) is a computer graphics standard with a typical resolution of 640 x 480 pixels and up to 262,144 colors. It follows the graphics standards MDA, CGA and EGA.



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